

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the thorough consideration given the application. Claims 4-14 are now pending in the application.

Claim 7 is indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 7 has been rewritten in independent form, and, accordingly, claim 7 (and all other claims which are dependent therefrom) should be in condition for allowance. Applicants also amended Claim 7 to change "third rotary part" to "further rotary part" because claim 7 recited first and third rotary parts but not "a second rotary part". Claims 6, 8, 9, and 12 have also been amended accordingly.

Applicants have further amended rejected dependent claims 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 14 to change their dependency from a cancelled claim 1 to allowable claim 7. Claim 10 has been amended to change its dependency from cancelled claim 1 to claim 2, which, in turn, depends from allowable claim 7. Accordingly, dependent claims 2, 4, 5, 6, and 8-14 are in condition for allowance.

In an effort to expedite prosecution, Applicants have cancelled claims 1 through 3 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein. Applicants reserve the right to refile all cancelled claims and contest the rejections thereof in one or more subsequent applications. In a further effort to expedite prosecution, Applicants have also amended the Title and Abstract per the Examiner's suggestions.

By making these claim amendments herein, however, Applicants do not necessarily agree or acquiesce with each statement in the Office action as to why these claims are allowed or allowable.

The claim amendments have rendered moot all of the Examiner's rejections and objections. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the objections and rejections and issue a notice of full allowance for the application.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection and objection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections

and objections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (314) 726-7502.

Applicants believe that there are no fees due in connection with this filing. If, however, Applicants owe any fee(s), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee(s) to Deposit Account No. **08-0750**. In addition, if there is ever any other fee deficiency or overpayment under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or 1.17 in connection with this patent application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such deficiency or overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-0750**.

Respectfully submitted,

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